

# QUEENSLAND'S CANE RAIL & RAW SUGAR ON THE MOVE (2019)



**3,688km**

industry-owned cane rail network moves



**27 million**

tonnes (95% total) sugarcane to



**18** sugar mills (out of 21 in QLD) using

Cane trains deliver cane to mills as far south as Childers, near Bundaberg and as far north as Mossman, near Cairns.



Mills work **24/7** from June to December



**52,000** cane bins



**200** diesel hydraulic locomotives pull

Longest track distance = 119km

Longest loco + bins = 1km

Loco haul capacity = 2,000 tonnes

Top speed = 40 km/hour



**>A\$2 billion**

estimated network replacement cost



Significant investment is made by mills into rail maintenance each year



**~25,000** trucks replaced on QLD roads by cane rail per day during season



**>3.0 million**

tonnes raw sugar is exported from ports at Bundaberg, Cairns, Lucinda, Mourilyan, Mackay and Townsville each year



Up to **2.5 million** tonnes raw sugar is stored at any one time



**6** bulk terminals store raw sugar delivered from the mill by truck or train to ports